

MINUTES ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (EDAC) MEETING 1300 NE Village Street

Fairview, OR 97024 August 11th, 2016

PRESENT:

Dean Hurford, Chair George Lingelbach Henry Pelfrey Renaye Delano Jeff Anderson

ABSENT:

Laurie Kelly Brenda Ziegler Dan Kreamier, Co-Council Liaison Ted Tosterud, Co-Council Liaison

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None

STAFF:

Nolan Young, City Administrator Erika Palmer, Senior Planner

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Hurford called the meeting to order at 5:51 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Chair Hurford identified who was present by roll call.

3. PUBLIC WISHING TO SPEAK ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

EDAC member Delano moved to adopt minutes, EDAC member Pelfrey seconded. Motion passed.

5. CITY MANAGER UPDATE

Nolan Young, City Administrator came and gave an update to EDAC. The city has hired a ½ code compliance official and ½ associate planner.

Chair Hurford, shared a brief history of EDAC and why it was formed and the projects that EDAC has taken on. Chair Hurford shared the history of the Ranger project and the waterfront proposal.

Chair Hurford shared the history of creating the "incentive program".

EDAC member Anderson, asked Nolan's about this background and what has he done in removing obstacles for business development?

Young, City Administrator stated his background in local government and presented examples of how he has helped small businesses in the local communities in which he has worked.

EDAC member Delano, asked Young about the proposed development in Wood Village. She stated that she hopes that no one is focusing on casino development because they are still working with developers on a concept – a casino would have to go before the voters.

Young, City Administrator said that the city needs to be engaged throughout the master planning process of the Wood Village Town Center.

6. Halsey Corridor Update

Chair Hurford stated that there was a bus tour with the CAC and TAC members today. Chair Hurford stated that the CAC should needs to think about the connection between I-84 and Highway 26. EDAC member, Linglebach stated that some of this work has been completed with the East Metro Connections Plan and that the primary focus should be on the corridor itself. The committee could spend all the money on trying to figure out the best alternative routes for access between I-84 and Highway 26. EDAC member Delano asked if the committee will think about widening Halsey. EDAC member, Linglebach stated that Halsey is considered a main street that would have low speeds, two lanes of traffic that is friendly to pedestrians and bicyclists.

Planner Palmer, stated that on the bus tour they look at hot spots along the corridor for potential redevelopment and looked at those areas adjacent to the corridor that serve as economic development drivers (TRIP property, Townsend Business Park, the new Subaru Plant, etc.). The first CAC meeting will be held in mid-September and in that meeting the committee will talk about an overall vision and goals for the corridor.

Chair Hurford, stated that the CAC should think about the Urban Renewal area in Troutdale and Yoshida's development because this will have an economic impact along the entire corridor.

EDAC member Linglebach said that signage along I-84 is going to be key to get people off the interstate.

7. SIDEWALK DISCUSSION & UPDATE

Senior Planner Palmer stated that Public Works is asking for \$25,000 to hire a consultant team to develop the cost estimate for the cost of designing and building of sidewalks throughout the community. The team will also review the cost for storm swales for water quality, etc.

EDAC Chair, Hurford asked the question, what if people in Old Town don't want sidewalks. This question should be asked first before the city spends 25k on this project. Young, City Administrator said that there will be plenty of opinions on sidewalks.

EDAC member Anderson stated that having a meeting about sidewalks in Old Town would be a good gesture. The city should know if the property owners want sidewalks in that area or not.

City Administrator, Young asked EDAC if it was their general consensus to hold a Town Hall meeting in Old Town to see what residents think. EDAC agreed this is the consensus, and Young stated that he would bring this to Council's attention.

8. STAFF UPDATE

Planner Palmer gave a staff update. Gresham is reviewing the building permit plans. EDAC member Pelfrey said that they have mowed down to the streambank. Planner Palmer said that this will be reviewed because they shouldn't be mowing down to the streambed. They can cut and pull vegetation but the use of gas powered equipment is prohibited.

A land use application came in for a 49-unit multi-family development on NE 205th.

Planner Palmer followed up with Council on EDAC's recommendation for branding. Council is thinking about how to market Fairview which is different from branding.

Meeting adjourned at 6.45 p.m.

Dean Hurford, Chair EDAC

Erika Palmer, Senior Planner

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